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1. Between 25 October and 14 November 1953, the barracks installation in Meissen-Zaschendorf [] was occupied by about 1,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. []

[] the officers were recently promised that they could be joined by their wives and that they could occupy German residences. New buildings near the barracks installation will allegedly be vacated for officers and their dependents. []

[] The officers were served well-prepared meals at 8 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. The troops attended motion picture performances in the installation twice a week. []

2. Between 25 October and 14 November, the barracks installation in Bohnitzsch [] was occupied by about 2,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. []

3. On 9 November, about 350 soldiers carrying blankets and luggage and wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets were loaded onto boxcars provided with stoves at the Meissen main railroad station. The troops arrived at the station on trucks []

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[redacted] Comment. A confirmation of the units stationed in Meissen has not been possible this year. The bulk of the motor vehicle [redacted] belongs to the 4th Tank Div. According to previous reports, the following units are believed stationed in Meissen:

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In the barracks installation at Zaschendorf: The 216th (?) AAA Regt and the 90th Mtrcl Bn of the 9th Tank Div, and a rocket launcher unit which may be the unidentified rocket launcher regiment of the First Gds Necz Army.

In the barracks installation in Eohnitzsch: The 95th Tank Regt of the 9th Tank Div and, presumably, the 45th Gds Tank Regt of the 11th Gds Tank Div.

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